## MEDIA RELEASE

Incident Number: 18-0008258

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**Incident Type**: Vegetation Fire

Date/Time of Incident: January 29, 2018 / 12:07 AM

Incident Location: Ventura River / Harbor Blvd

Cause: Escaped fire from a vagrant encampment

Injuries: None

Fire Equipment: 3 Engine Companies, 1 Water Tender, 1 Command,

**Total Fire Personnel**: 13

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department

**Narrative**: On the above date and time Ventura City Fire was dispatched to a report of vegetation fire in the Ventura River. Upon arrival crews found a 10' x 30' fire burning an arundo on an island surrounded by water. Firefighters were eventually able to access the fire and extinguish it using hand tools and water from a 1000' hose lay. The fire was extinguished 3 hours after firefighter's arrival. No injuries were reported as a result of this incident.

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